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# Dahlias That Give Satisfaction



1929

WALKER'S DAHLIA GARDENS  
NORTH DIGHTON, MASSACHUSETTS



## NOVELTY DAHLIAS

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### **\$2.00 each; Set of 5 for \$9.00**

CHEROSIS (*Dec.*). A large pure clear yellow, petals tipped white. A striking flower.

HERALD TRIBUNE (*Dec.*). Very large pure white; flowers on long stiff stems.

MARY WEIGAND (*Dec.*). Large creamy white, each petal tipped or striped cherry red.

PEQUOIT (*Cac.*). Large white splashed and striped with carmine and purple.

SISKIYOU (*Dec.*). Large pink, tinted mauve.

### **\$1.50 each; Set of 5 for \$6.75**

JERSEY BEAUTY (*Dec.*). Large pure pink, flowering on long stiff stems.

JERSEY RADIANT (*Dec.*). Beautiful large orange.

RADIO (*Dec.*). A large blood-red, edged and tipped yellow, on long stems.

WUNOHKE WONDER (*Dec.*). A large rose purple, overlaid carmine, with pink markings. A wonderful bloomer.

IMP. SETTING SUN (*Dec.*). Crimson red, tipped and splashed yellow and old gold.

### **\$1.00 each; Set of 9 for \$8.00**

CAMBRIA (*Dec.*). Very pleasing shade of pink; flowers on long straight stems.

EARL WILLIAMS (*Dec.*). Brilliant crimson, with white and carmine through each petal.

ELLINOR VANDEVEER (*Dec.*). Rose pink; flowers large and erect.

JERSEY JEWELL (*Dec.*). Large medium pink.

LADY BOUNTIFUL (*Dec.*). Large buff tipped white, overlaid orange, very pretty.

MODELLA (*Hyb. Cac.*). Primrose overlaid a beautiful shade of salmon.

MARSHALL BOYNTON (*Peony*). An extra large red and yellow; flowers erect on straight stems.

WIZARD OF OZ (*Dec.*). Pure amber pink, overlaid old rose, tinted to white.

TRENTONIAN (*Dec.*). Coppery bronze, blended and shaded old gold and amber.

## CHOICE DAHLIAS

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**75c each; Any 6 for \$3.75**

- E. P. O'CONNOR (*Dec.*). Purple, blending to lilac rose.
- MRS. ASHLEY LOWE (*Dec.*). Salmon Pink, base of petals splashed yellow.
- NORA PICTORIS (*Hyb. Cac.*). Yellow, shadings of rose. Very pretty.
- OLD ROSE (*Dec.*). A very clear old rose.
- HALVELLA (*Dec.*). A large charming rose pink.
- GRIZZLEY (*Dec.*). A very large flower of deep maroon with good substance.
- HARVEST SUNSET (*Hyb. Cac.*). Large salmon pink. Petals incurved and twisted.
- HONOLULU GIRL (*Dec.*). Beautiful old rose, overlaid yellow, tinted carmine.
- JOHN LEWIS CHILDS (*Dec.*). The best fancy decorative novelty. Yellow, splashed, and striped with brilliant scarlet.
- JOHN H. SLOCOMBE (*Dec.*). Immense dahlia deep red suffused with a velvety sheen.
- JUNIOR (*Dec.*). This is one of if not the largest dahlia grown. The color is a pure lavender pink. The flowers when fully out look like a large water lily.
- KALIF (*Hybrid Cactus*). The best bright scarlet, large cactus dahlia. Flowers on long stiff stems, and a profuse bloomer.
- KITTIE DUNLAP (*Dec.*). Has the lovely color of the American Beauty rose. Flowers large on long stiff stems, of perfect formation.
- LADY BETTY (*Dec.*). A creamy white, with a pink suffusion spread over the flower.
- MARIPOSA (*Hyb. Cactus*). Pink mixed with lavender and white.
- MRS. I. DE VER WARNER (*Dec.*). Extra large deep mauve pink; a profuse bloomer.
- PAPILLON (*Hyb. Cac.*). Old rose shaded golden bronze yellow. No. better.
- PARADISE (*Hyb. Cactus*). Cream white overlaid old rose and gold.
- THE U. S. A. (*Hyb. Cactus*). Large, deep orange, very unusual color so hard to attain in a dahlia. A very novel and unique formation as well as color.

**65c each; Any 6 for \$3.50**

- CATHERINE WILCOX (*Dec.*). White, petals tipped and marked carmine.
- CAROLINE WINTGEN (*Dec.*). Pale cream, tinted to a pink, overlaid carmine.
- GAY PARIE (*Cac.*). Golden bronze, suffused red.
- HALLOWEIEEN (*Dec.*). Large stiff stem dahlia with dwarf habits. Color a light cream overcast with pink and orange bronze.
- MEPHISTOPHELES (*Dec.*). A grand large vivid scarlet flower, each petal tinged maroon.
- MRS. LILLIAN WALKER (*Dec.*). Large pale amber, yellow bronze and white overlaid.
- PACIFIC GLORY (*Dec.*). Lovely shade of pink with slight cream shadings.
- RAINBOW (*Dec.*). An unusual color, old gold suffused Oriental red; large and perfect.
- STUNNER (*Dec.*). A large canary yellow of fine form and good stem.

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**DO NOT PLANT DAHLIAS IN SHADE****50c each**

- A. C. LAWRENCE (*Hyb. Cactus*). A delicate shade of pink.
- AMUN RA (*Dec.*). Immense decorative resembling a glorious setting sun. The outer petals are a gorgeous shade of copper and orange, shading to gold and amber.
- BASHFUL GIANT (*Dec.*). Large buff shaded to bronze.
- BEN WILSON (*Dec.*). Orange red, tipped yellow.
- CALIFORNIA ENCHANTRESS (*Hyb. Cactus*). A delightful shade of rose pink, blended with white.
- CHAMPAGNE (*Dec.*). Golden champagne and chamois.
- DR. FLOOD (*Dec.*). Large purple with double notched petals of rose pink tinted white. . . . .
- DR. MARSHALL HOWE (*Dec.*). Large light pink, full to center.
- ELSIE OLIVER (*Hyb. Cac.*). Large creamy pink, very delicate.
- ETHEL F. T. SMITH (*Hyb. Cactus*). Huge blooms of a creamy yellow, shading to lemon at center. Stems are perfect.
- F. W. FELLOWS (*Cactus*). Bronze-red.

- GLADYS SHERWOOD (*Hyb. Cactus*). Extra large cream white, very deep and full to center, having long, wide, satiny, pointed petals, that glisten in the sun.
- LAKE ERIE (*Dec.*). Large deep scarlet.
- LAURINE (*Cactus*). Large, deep pink, good stems.
- MERITORIOUS (*Dec.*). Yellow ground, shading to orange buff, with white tips, the whole suffused with a golden sheen.
- MR. CROWLEY (*Dec.*). Salmon pink, base of petals shaded yellow.
- MRS. WILLIAM SLOCOMBE (*Dec.*). A large cream yellow.
- PAUL MICHAEL (*Dec.*). An immense flower of bright apricot with bronze shadings.
- PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA (*Dec.*). Without doubt the very best medium red decorative on the market, blooming on long, stiff stems, well erect above the foliage.
- ROSA NELL (*Dec.*). A clear, bright rose, which attracts instant attention.
- ROSE MAWR (*Dec.*). Lovely shade of deep rose-pink; flowers of fair size on long stems.
- THE MILLIONAIRE (*Dec.*). This is one of the largest, a delicate lavender pink.
- WM. SLOCOMBE (*Dec.*). Large pure cream yellow, extra good.

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### DAHLIAS BEAUTIFY YOUR HOMES

#### 35c each

- ALEX WALDIE (*Dec.*). Cream ground overlaid with a delicate salmon pink.
- BILLY BURKE (*Hyb. Cactus*). Large, attractive, pale lemon, slightly tinged with pink.
- BONNIE BRAE (*Dec.*). Cream, shaded blush pink. A true decorative form, immense size.
- CHIEFTAIN (*Dec.*). A fine large decorative, deep wine shaded to purple.
- EDNA SPENCER (*Hyb. Cactus*). Cream, white shaded pink overlaid purple.
- GEORGE WALTERS (*Hyb. Cactus*). A most wonderful bloomer, always produces a large flower. Color a salmon rose shaded silvery pink.
- JUDGE PARKER (*Dec.*). Golden buff.
- MRS. CHARLES SHERBROOK (*Cactus*). This is a large incurved petal cactus of a scarlet shade with reverse of old gold.

- MRS. W. E. ESTES (*Dec.*). This is a large white decorative, has good stems and flowers of quality. delicate pink, shaded rose and yellow.
- PINK LADY (*Dec.*). Undoubtedly one of the best pink dahlias. The outer petals are rose pink, passing to white at center.
- PURPLE MANITOU (*Dec.*). Royal purple.
- SNOWDRIFT (*Hyb. Cactus*). A dwarf growing dahlia. Pure white, stems long and stiff.
- ST. FRANCIS (*Dec.*). Soft cream with overcast of pink.
- WORLD'S WONDER (*Dec.*). A large clear golden salmon deep thick petaled flower. The flowers are erect on long stems.
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## CUT YOUR FLOWERS—THEY BLOOM BETTER

### 25c each

- AZALIA (*Dec.*). A large and beautiful dahlia; soft creamy yellow with apricot shadings.
- BERTHA STOREY (*Dec.*). A delicate deep pink of large size, on good long stems.
- CYNTHIA (*Dec.*). A delicate pink, overlaid cream.
- DAKOTA (*Dec.*). Free blooming tango red.
- DR. TEVIS (*Dec.*). Salmon rose, suffused with gold shadings, apricot center; flowers are large on long stems, well above the foliage.
- F. C. BURNS (*Dec.*). A lovely shell pink of striking form on good stems.
- F. L. MILLIS (*Hyb. Cactus*). Beautiful large deep pink, overlaid carmine-rose.
- FANTASTIQUE (*Hyb. Cactus*). Petals twisted, color deep mahogany, splashed carmine.
- HELENE (*Dec.*). Beautiful shade of pink tinted white with carmine edging.
- MADONNA (*Dec.*). A large white, each petal shaded to pearl with slight pink markings, flowers large on good stems.
- MARYAN (*Dec.*). A neat and attractive dahlia. The color is a rich shade of copper overlaid with gold and amber shadings.
- MRS. DAVIDSON (*Hyb. Show*). Large, deep royal purple, flowers on long stiff stems.
- MRS. CARL SALBACH (*Dec.*). A decorative dahlia of large size and perfect form. The color is an attractive shade of mauve pink, stems long and erect.

- PRIDE OF NEW HAVEN (*Dec.*). Pale buff, shaded to cream, pink cast.
- SANTA CRUZ (*Dec.*). Yellow, overlaid orange, striped red. Good exhibition flower.
- SCOTTISH CHIEF (*Dec.*). Pure amber, bronze tinged with slight markings of white.
- SUNBEAM (*Dec.*). This dahlia has a fern leaf foliage, flowers large and free; color a rich red, tips of petals old gold.
- WASHINGTON CITY (*Hyb. Cactus*). A gigantic pure white on extra long stems, the immense flowers well above the foliage.

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LARGE OR SMALL ORDERS WILL HAVE CAREFUL ATTENTION

USE DAHLIAS FOR DECORATING THE HOME

### 20c each

- DREER'S WHITE (*Show*). Large pure white; excellent bloomer. Fine for garden.
- ELSIE DAVIDSON (*Show*). The very freest lemon yellow dahlia in this type.
- GRAND DUCHESS MARIE (*Giant Show*). Large rich buff, overlaid orange, back petals pink.
- IMMENSE (*Dec.*). Deep crimson, overlaid carmine rose.
- INGRESS (*Cac.*). Deep purple, straight pointed petals.
- SISTER THREISSA (*Dec.*). A dwarf growing plant, blooming profusely. A beautiful shade of cream, base of each petal is yellow.
- SOUV. DE GUSTAVE DOAZON (*Dec.*). Enormous brick red; flowers freely well above foliage.
- THE EAGLE (*Hyb. Cactus*). Large broad petaled cactus with full center, blooming free as any dahlia in our fields, creamy yellow.
- WHANG SHANG (*Hyb. Cactus*). Deep salmon pink, overcast bronze with lighter shadings at tips of petals.
- WHITE COLOSSE (*Dec.*). Pure white decorative.
- W. W. POLLAMUS (*Dec.*). Buff, shaded to pink; profuse bloomer.
- YD-4 (*Dec.*). Large white, tipped and overcast purple, long stem.

DO NOT STAND BULBS ON END WHEN PLANTING

## PEONY DAHLIAS

**35c each; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$3.00**

- CREATION—Large salmon rose, slightly tinged with white.  
CARDINAL MERCIER—Large deep pink, streaked with yellow.  
DR. P. FRANCIS WALKER—Pale rose, shaded light pink, overcast with yellow.  
DR. TAYLOR—Deep pink, splashed cream, rolling petals.  
EXQUISITE—Large orange, with velvety petals.  
GEISHA—Striking red and yellow, well known variety.  
GLORY OF HOLLAND—Deep pink, overlaid rose.  
LIBERTY—One of the best deep red.  
MAD DIMONT BIJSTEIN—Delicate lilac mauve.  
PURITY—As its name implies, pure white.  
PEG OF MY HEART—A clear old rose.  
QUEEN ESTHER—Light yellow, deeply shaded pink.  
TEKIA—Rich dark red, very large.

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## SINGLE DAHLIAS

**25c each; Set of 10 for \$2.00**

- AUTUMN QUEEN—Large pure tango shade.  
BRIDE—Beautiful pure gloss white.  
HOME SWEET HOME—Rose pink edged carmine, on long stems  
BLACK BIRD—Dark velvety red.  
MRS. J. FORBES—Large deep red, tipped carmine rose.  
OPALESCENCE—Clear tango, shaded silver and rose.  
PARABLE—Striking shade of rich purple, each petal tipped white.  
PINK DANDY—Large clear pink.  
PURPLE QUEEN—Rich purple, shaded red.  
SENSATION—Scarlet, striped and tipped white.

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## COLLARETTE DAHLIAS

**20c each; Set of 5 for 90c**

- DIRECTOR RENE GIRARD—Rich purple, shaded lighter, white collar.  
J. W. DAVIDSON—Deep red, overlaid carmine and pink, white collar.  
LOUIS BLACKMAN—Cardinal, tinted white, with white collar.  
PINK BEAUTY—Pure clear pink with white collar.  
THE QUEEN—Clear white and fringed collar.

## POMPON DAHLIAS

**50c each; 6 for \$2.50; Set of 13, \$5.00**

DARK EYE—Dark red with yellow eye.

DUSKY BABE—Small rich crimson.

DARKNESS—Very deep red.

FIREFLY—Light orange red.

GUS EM WEIM—Chocolate; quilled petals.

HILDA SEARLE—Bright orange, tinged deeper.

J. J. KYNN—Small deep orange.

LITTLE FRED—Small deep rose pink.

LITTLE BEESWING—Small yellow, tipped cherry red.

NEATNESS—Pale lemon, tinged pink.

NERISSA—Small rosy pink.

MADALINE—Pale yellow, edged purple.

MAID OF ATHENS—Light purple.

**35c each; Set of 10, \$3.00**

BELL OF SPRINGFIELD—Small brick red.

CHALLENGER—Red shaded cream and pink.

EUNICE—Small lavender and white.

IMPERIAL—Dark purple, very desirable flower.

JAROSTOSKY—Yellow and orange.

JESSICA—Amber and yellow blended white.

LITTLE HERMAN—Red white tips.

MARS—Bright red.

MARY CLIFF—Deep Maroon.

**20c each; Set of 14 for \$2.50**

BRUNETTE—Red and white petals, tipped red.

DOUGLASS TUCKER—Yellow, slightly tipped orange.

FERN LEAF BEAUTY—Flowers red and white, fern leaf foliage.

HENRETTA—Yellow, crimson tips.

LITTLE BESSIE—Buff, tipped pink.

LITTLE JENNIE—Pure yellow.

MINNIE RICHARDS—White, slightly tipped pink.

MABLE—Pale pink, slightly shaded deeper.

ORIANA—Rose purple.

PINK BEAUTY—Deep pink.

PHOEBE—Primrose and scarlet.

SNOWCLAD—Pure white.

VERDIA FLORA—Real green pompon dahlia.

WHITE ASTER—Snow white.

**ORDERS WILL BE SHIPPED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

## 10c each; Set of 9, 75c

- A. D. LIVONI—Rose pink.  
ALWINE—White, lavender tips.  
ARCHILLES—Pale pink.  
BRIDESMAID—Pale cream.  
GOLDEN QUEEN—Golden yellow.  
HELEN LAMBERT—Pale yellow, carmine tips.  
KLEIM GRETCHEN—Orange and buff.  
LITTLE BEAUTY—Bright pink.  
LITTLE BOBBY—Rich purple.

## PREMIUMS

### Retail Orders Only

CLUB ORDERS—Get one or more neighbors to make a selection of tubes with you, to the total of \$10.00, and receive as a present, my Prize Collection of 8 Dahlias and 25 Gladioli, valued at \$3.50.

SPECIAL COLLECTION A.—1 tuber Dakota, 1 Washington City, 1 Sunbeam, 1 Bonnie Brae, 1 Lady Bountiful, 1 Old Rose, 1 George Walters. Price \$2.50

COLLECTION B.—1 Alex Walidi, 1 Bashful Giant, 1 Billy Burke, 1 Snowdrift, 1 Charles Davidson, 1 Salsbach, 1 C. Wilcox. Price \$2.50

COLLECTION C.—1 Eagle, 1 White Colosse, 1 Salsbach, 1 Lady Bountiful, 1 Bonnie Brae, 1 Dakota Price \$2.00

COLLECTION D.—3 Choice Decoratives, 3 Hyb. Cactus, 3 Peony, 3 Pompon Dahlias, total of 12 of my choice of varieties, valued at \$5.00. Price \$2.50

COLLECTION E.—25 assorted Dahlias from named varieties, not labeled, valued at \$4.00. Price \$2.00

### NO CHANGES IN THE MAKE-UP OF THESE COLLECTIONS

Orders amounting to	\$3.00,	select tubers to value	\$3.30
"	"	" 5.00,	" " " 5.75
"	"	" 7.50,	" " " 8.75
"	"	" 10.00,	" " " 12.00

Orders over \$12.50 or more, select 25% of value in extra tubers.

## SPECIAL GLADIOLI COLLECTIONS

GRAND EXHIBITION—100 assorted from named varieties 1½ " or better in size for	\$6.00
CHOICE EXHIBITION—100 assorted from standard named varieties,	\$5.00
GARDEN SPECIAL—100 assorted (1½ " size), (50c extra for Parcel Post Delivery per 100)	\$4.00
DAHLIA SEED, large package,	\$5.00

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WRITE YOUR NAME PLAINLY WITH ORDERS  
BEST SOIL FOR DAHLIAS IS A LIGHT LOOM  
GIVE THEM PLENTY OF SUNLIGHT AND ROOM  
KEEP THE GROUND WELL HOED AND FREE OF  
WEEDS

TO HAVE GOOD DAHLIAS GIVE GOOD CARE  
NEVER PLANT WHOLE CLUMPS OF DAHLIAS  
DO NOT ALLOW BUT ONE SPROUT TO BULB  
PLANT DAHLIAS 3 FT. APART IN ROWS

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PERENNIALS—Digitalis, Delphinium, Hardy Phlox,  
Sweet William, Hardy Chrysanthemums, Hardy Pinks,  
all field grown, Doz. \$1.50

ROSES—Hardy 2 to 3-year No. 1 Stock in sets of 6.  
Price \$2.50

GARDEN FURNITURE—(Permanent Concrete) Lawn  
Benches, Bird Baths, Sundials, Gazing Globes, Pedes-  
tals, Window, Fern and Porch Boxes, Jardiniers. Very  
low prices on request.

SPRAYERS—Brown's "Auto Spray" Galvanized and  
Brass. Prices from \$1.50 to \$9.50 each.

CED-O-FLORA—The perfect plant liquid spray for the  
most tender plants, sure death to mealy bug, red spider,  
scale, fly, etc. Try it on Dahlias, Coleus, Begonias,  
Sweet Peas, Snapdragon, etc. Pint can \$1.75; Quart  
\$2.25.

NITROPHOSKA—The ideal plant food, developes better  
blooms, stronger stalks, more vigorous tubers. Five  
pounds is sufficient for a large garden. (See circular).

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**SPECIAL PRICES ON LARGE COLLECTION**

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**TERMS AND GUARANTEE**

All quotations in this catalog are for divisions from field-grown roots. We grow Dahlias but do not ship Dahlia Plants.

All Dahlias are guaranteed to be true to name and will grow if given reasonable care and suitable location. We give no warranty, express or implied as to description, quality, productiveness, or, are we in any way, responsible for your crop.

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We advise that you place your order as early as possible.

Be sure to write your name and address very plainly.

**WALKER DAHLIA GARDENS**

**WALKER & WALKER, Props.**

**North Dighton, Mass.**

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**SINGLE TUBERS MAKE MUCH BETTER PLANTS**

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## DAHLIA CULTIVATION

**LOCATION**—The dahlia requires first a sunny, airy location, and yet sheltered from the heavy summer winds. If dahlias are planted in the shade the result will be that they will grow to a great height and produce but very few flowers of a weak nature.

**SOIL**—Dahlias will grow in any or all kinds of soil, if properly fertilized, with very good results. Most failures are due to neglect in having the soil thoroughly worked before planting by spading deep and making as light as possible.

**FERTILIZING**—Give your garden a good coat of stable or cow dressing and spade well into the soil in the fall where you intend to plant them in the spring. Then when planting time comes you can use any good commercial fertilizer, about a handful to the hill, well covered over before setting the bulb.

**TIME TO PLANT**—Dahlias may be planted with good results, from May 1st to July 1st.

**DEPTH TO PLANT**—Place the tubers diagonally about four inches below the soil. If the ground is cold and very moist, it is far better to start them in shallow boxes, covering them with moss or earth; keep moderately wet and place them in a warm place or hotbed and they will start quickly. After they are up, say two inches, transplant them to your field three feet apart, and the rows should not be nearer than three feet.

**HOEING AND CULTIVATING**—From the time the plants are out of the ground until they begin to bud and bloom the ground should be well hoed and kept free from weeds.

**WATERING**—This is the most important and yet difficult question to solve. There is no rule as to how and when to water, only one's judgment. Watering too much is as bad as not enough. But bear in mind if artificial watering is done it must be kept up from rain to rain, and when watering be sure to water enough to reach the roots. The best time to water is at sunset.

**LIFTING AND STORING**—After frost has taken and blackened the plants, cut them down, allowing a week or more before you lift and store them. Select a pleasant day for digging, between the hours of 9 and 3. Dry and shake off what dirt comes easily and pack them in a dry, cool cellar, which can be kept at 40 to 45 degrees.



**WALKER'S  
DAHLIAS  
GLADIOLI  
SEEDS - PLANTS  
SUPPLIES**